IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:

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Stewart D. Chipman et al.

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M.A. Belyavskyi

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METHODS OF USING IMXP-888 AND IMXP-888 ANTAGONISTS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136 (a)

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

TECH CENTER JEC Applicants respectfully request that the time for filing a response to the Office A dated May 21, 2003, be extended for a period three months to September 22, 2003 (September 21, 2003 being a Sunday). A Response to the Restriction Requirement is being filed concurrently with this Petition.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the required fee of \$930 and any other fee occasioned by this response to Deposit Account No. 09-0089. A copy of this Petition is provided for this purpose.

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